

The National Map Users Conference & USGS Geographic Information Science (GIS) Workshop

Welcome to Denver!

Schedule at a Glance

Tuesday May 10 – GIS Workshop, National Training Center DFC

08:00 Session 1
09:45 Break
10:15 Session 2
12:00 Lunch
01:30 Session 3
03:15 Break
03:45 Session 4
05:30 Break
07:00 GIS Olympics – Denver Marriott West

Wednesday May 11 – GIS Workshop, National Training Center DFC

08:00 Session 1
09:45 Break
10:15 Session 2
12:00 Lunch
01:30 Session 3
03:15 Break
03:45 Session 4
05:30 Break
06:00 Poster Session – Denver Marriott West

Thursday May 12 – TNM Users Conference, Denver Marriott West

08:30 Plenary Session
11:00 Panel Discussions
12:00 Lunch
01:30 Concurrent Session Presentations
05:00 Break
05:30 Award Presentation
06:00 Post-Award Ceremony

Friday May 13 – TNM Users Conference, Denver Marriott West

08:00 Plenary Session
10:00 Concurrent Session Presentations
11:30 Lunch
12:45 Concurrent Session Presentations
02:15 Break & Closing
03:30 Golf Tournament – Homestead Golf Course

Conference Hotel

Denver Marriott West

1717 Denver West Boulevard

Golden, CO 80401

303-279-9100, toll free: 1-888-238-1803

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/denwe-denver-marriott-west/>

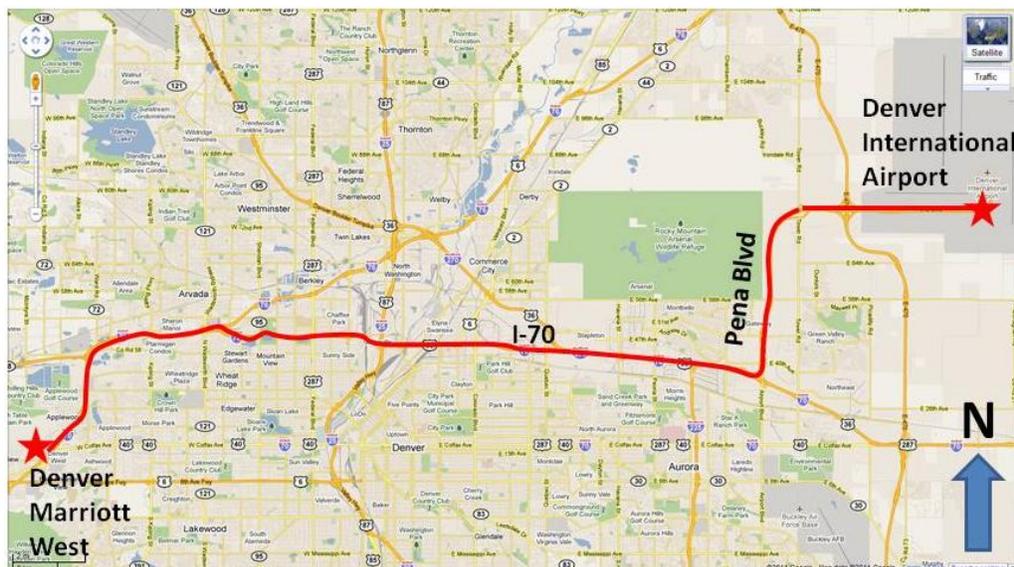
Shuttle from airport to hotel

SuperShuttle is offering a discount for conference attendees. One-way: \$25, Round-trip: \$50. The discount will be available from May 6 to May 16. Go to this website

<http://www.supershuttle.com/Sales/USGS.html> and use the code **UDLSC**.

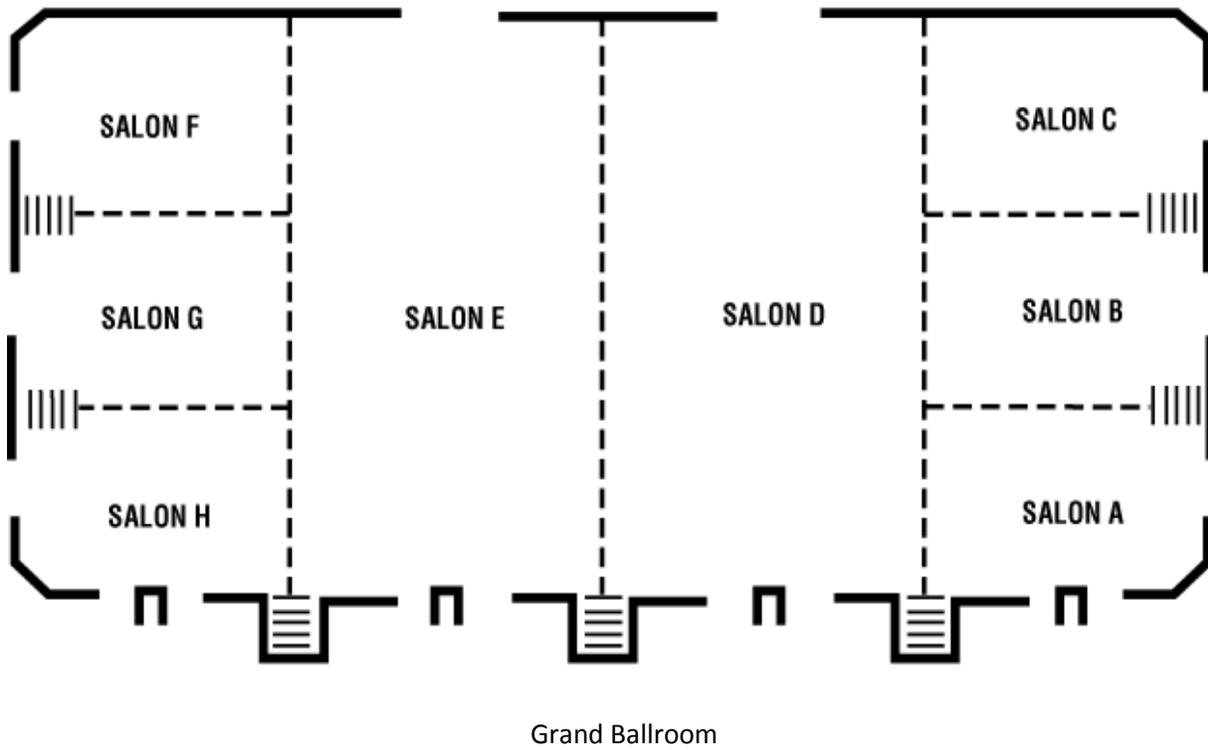
Driving directions from Denver International Airport (approx. 35 miles)

Take I-70 West to Exit 263 (Denver West/Colorado Mills Parkway). From the off-ramp turn right onto Denver West Marriott Blvd. Turn left at the next light onto Denver West Parkway. Turn left into hotel parking lot

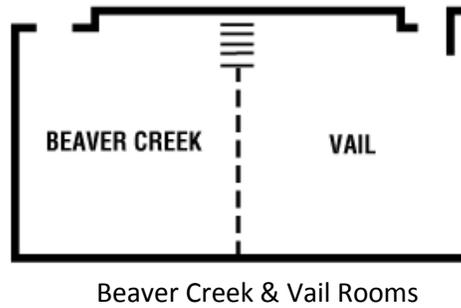
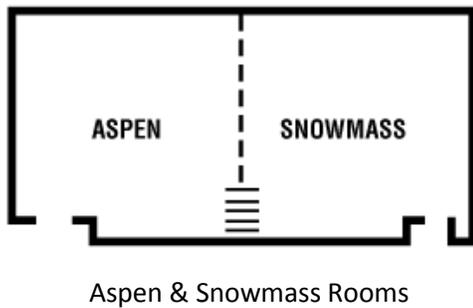


Floor Plan for Hotel Meeting Rooms

Lobby Level (entrance level)



First Floor (one level below lobby)



From the Denver Marriott West to the Denver Federal Center (DFC)

Entry to the Denver Federal Center (DFC)

The DFC is a secure site and identification is required for all persons entering. Federal employees with valid IDs may enter through any gate. All other visitors must enter through **Gate 1** and show a valid ID such as a driver's license.

Shuttle

There will be a complimentary shuttle from the hotel to the DFC at **7:00am, 7:20am, and 7:40am** on Tuesday and Wednesday (May 10 – 11). A return shuttle from the DFC to the hotel will run those two days at **5:35pm and 5:45pm**.



National Training Center (Building 53), Denver Federal Center

Shuttle

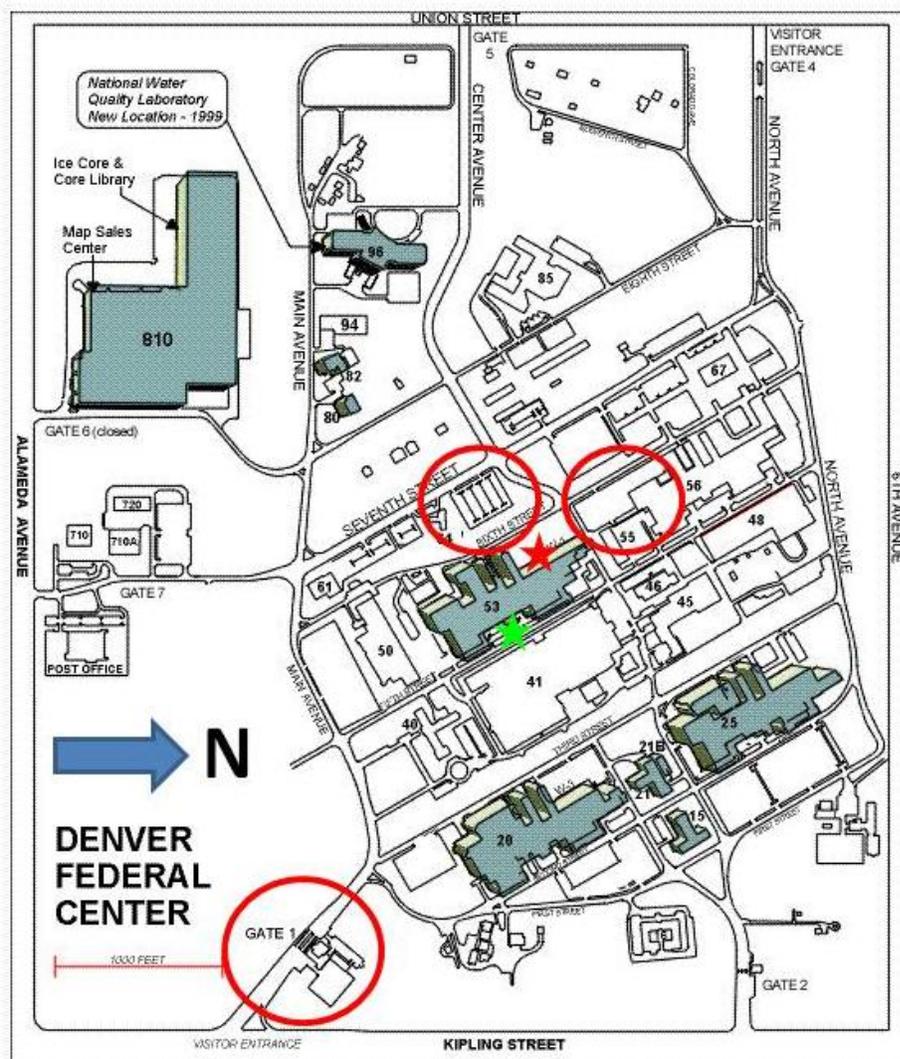
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Parking and Entry into Building 53

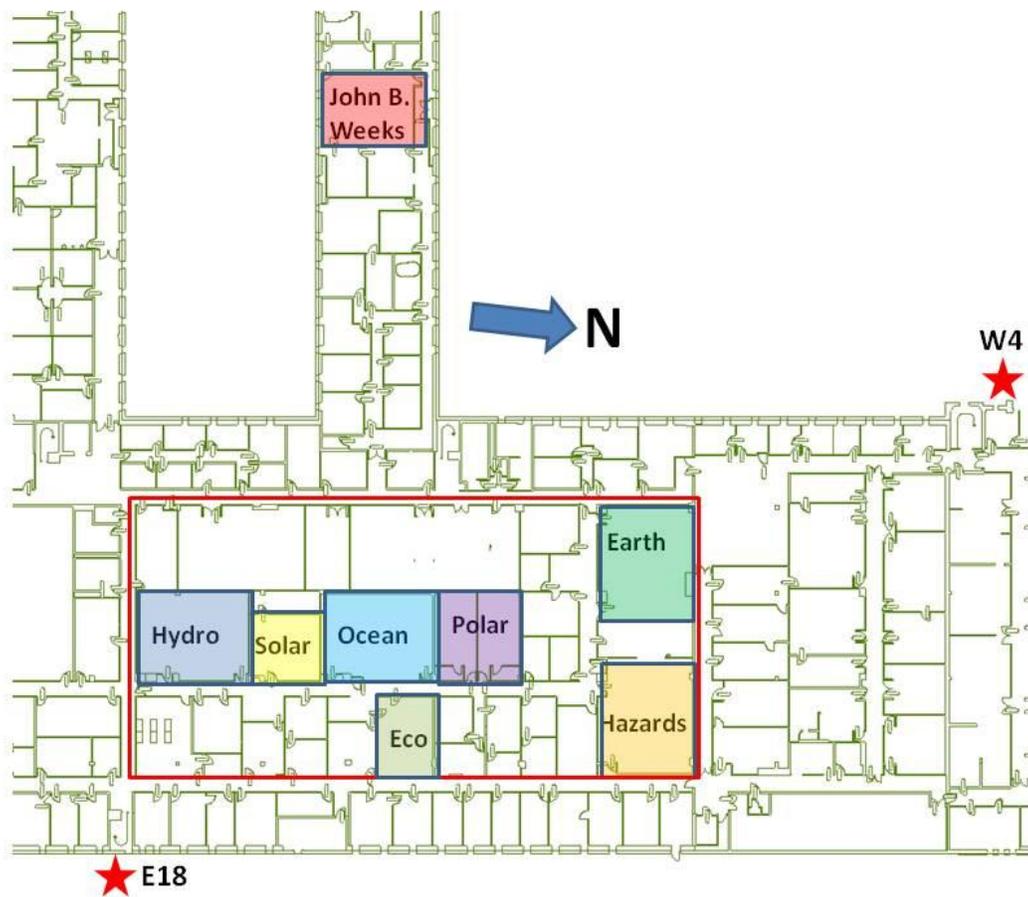
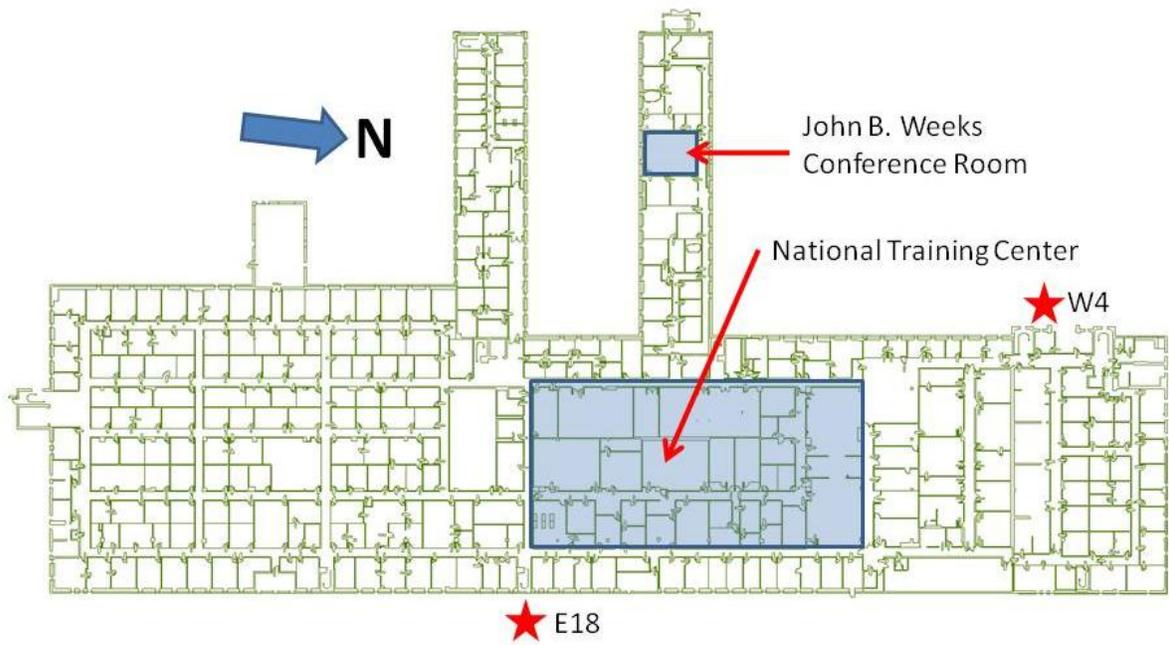
The closest parking lots to Building 53 (identified by the two smaller red circles) are north (accessible from 7th Street) and northeast (accessible from 6th Street). Visitors must enter through door **W4** (located by the red star on the map below) and sign in with the guard.

Registration

Registration for the USGS GIS Workshop will be in the **Eco** room at the National Training Center starting at **7:00am** both Tuesday and Wednesday.



Floor Plan for Building 53, 2nd Floor



Nearby Restaurants to the Hotel

Denver Marriott West

Allie's American Grill
Starbucks Coffee Café
Blue Mesa Sports Grill

Denver West

<http://www.denverwest.com/knowlet/knowlet.cfm?action=viewvision&knowletID=1206&rootknowletID=1206&CFID=31440768&CFTOKEN=61218442>

Macaroni Grill
Outback Steakhouse
On the Border
Mimi's Café

Colorado Mills Mall

<http://www.simon.com/mall/?id=1237>

The Keg Steakhouse & Bar
California Pizza Kitchen
Chili's Too
Johnny Rockets
McGrath's Fish House
Yard House



Nearby Restaurants to the Denver Federal Center

Union Blvd (just west of the Denver Federal Center)

Lonestar Steakhouse
 El Corazon
 Union 240
 Café Bisque
 Ghin/TukTuk Thai
 Subway
 Jason's Deli
 Chads
 Jose O'Shea's
 Le Peep
 Wendy's
 Good Times
 Mad Greens
 Anthony's Pizza
 El Jimador
 Union Brasserie

Belmar (SW corner of Wadsworth Blvd & Alameda Ave)

<http://www.belmarcolorado.com/>

P.F. Changs
 Baker Street Pub & Grill
 Elephant Bar Restaurant
 Las Margaritas Restaurant & Cantina
 Little India Restaurant & Bar
 Ted's Montana Grill
 The Rock Wood Fired Pizza & Spirits
 Wasabi Sushi Bar



Things to Do

Red Rocks Amphitheatre - <http://www.redrocksonline.com/>
MillerCoors Brewery Tour - www.millercoors.com/golden-brewery-tour.aspx
Colorado Mills Mall - <http://www.simon.com/mall/?id=1237>
Rocky Mountain National Park - <http://www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm>
Air Force Academy - <http://www.usafa.af.mil/information/visitors/>
Denver Zoo - <http://www.denverzoo.org/visitors/index.asp>
Colorado Rockies Baseball - http://colorado.rockies.mlb.com/index.jsp?c_id=col
Downtown Denver - <http://www.denver.org/>
Heritage Square Village & Music Hall - <http://www.heritagesquare.info/>

The Weather in Denver

May is the wettest month of the year in Denver (average 2.32 inches of precipitation). It can be 80+ degrees one day and snowing the next. It is not unusual to use the heater and the air conditioner in the same day. We recommend layers, lots of layers...

Average Temperatures for May:

Low 44°
High 71°

You can check out the forecast for Denver at the National Weather Service (<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>).

The Mile High City

The Mile High City really is a mile high (5280 ft). Adjusting to the higher altitude may be difficult for out-of-town visitors. Here are a few tips for staying healthy during your trip:

- **Slow down and breathe** – The air is thinner here and you may find yourself short of breath doing even the simplest of things. Just take it slow and breathe deeply.
- **Stay hydrated!** – The air is much drier in Denver than many other places. Be sure to stay hydrated. Your body may need twice as much water as you are used to while you are here.
- **Use that sunscreen** – At higher altitudes the sun's rays are not filtered as much by the atmosphere. Consequently it is deceptively easy to get a sunburn here, even in cooler weather. Be prepared to use sunscreen if you plan on being outside for any length of time.